GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3375
ANSWERED ON:26.04.2007
DOUBLING OF RAILWAY LINE FROM TRIVANDRUM TO MANGALORE
Ravindran Shri Pannian

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the progress of work on the doubling of railway line from Trivandrum to Mangalore under Trivandrum and Palakkad Divisions under Southern Railway through Kottayam and Alappuzha;

(b) the length remains yet to be taken up for doubling with names of patches to be completed;

(c) the expected date of completion of doubling of this railway line which is the life line of Kerala; and

(d) the amount required for the completion of the same?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) to (d): A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3375 BY SHRI PANNIAN RAVINDRAN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 26.04.2007 REGARDING DOUBLING OF RAILWAY LINE FROM TRIVANDRUM TO MANGALORE.

(a): Double broad gauge line has already been provided on Netravati- Shoranur-Ernakulam and Kayankulam-Trivandrum sections of Mangalore-Trivandrum rail line. On the balance portion, work on doubling of Netravati-Kankanadi(Mangalore), Ernakulam-Kottayam-Kayankulam and Kayankulam-Ambalapuzha sections are in various stages of progress.

(b): Doubling of Ambalapuzha-Alleppey-Ernakulam (69.16 Kms.) of Ernakulam-Alleppey-Kayankulam route is not sanctioned.

(c): These sanctioned works are likely to be completed in phases in next 2-3 years.

(d): An outlay of Rs.508.6 crore is required beyond 01.04.2007 for completion of the balance portion of the sanctioned projects. Further, Rs.128 crore has been provided for these sanctioned projects during 2007-08.